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LISTS PREREQUISITES FOR "SHOCK PLANT" TITLE IN HUNGARIAN HEAVY INDUSTRY

The Minister of Metallurgy and Machine Industry and the Minister of Mining and Power have jointly issued decree No 8,500/1950, which states the pre-requisites for the title of "Shock Plant" in Hungary's heavy industry. The industries in question are:

- Metallurgy and Machine Industry: iron and steel, machine tools, prime movers, agricultural machinery, other machines, vehicles, communications equipment, mass products, and fine mechanics.
- 2. Mining and Power: coal mining, ore mining, light-metal products, power plants, power distribution, heavy chemicals, light chemicals, and oil production and refining.

In general, the title is awarded to the plant which exceeds quota requirements in its field to the greatest extent during a 3-month period. The plant must also show good results in production contests, innovations, and transmittal of Stakhanovite methods. Other basic conditions are compliance with the production plan and payment of the budgeted profits. The title is awarded for a period of 3 months.

Specific requirements for the various industries are:

- 1. Exceeding the production quots by a minimum of 2 to 10 percent.
- 2. 93- to 100-percent compliance with the production plan. The Csepel Automobile Works, Hofherr-Schrantz Tractor Works, and Matyas Rakosi Motor Bicycle and Bicycle Works are required to show 100-percent compliance.
 - A minimum of 2 to 10 percent in excess of planned productivity.
- 4. Reduction in rejects and waste material by a minimum of 6 to 15 percent as compared with the preceding quarter.

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- 5. A minimum of 3 to 5 percent of savings in materials as compared with norms.
 - 6. A minimum of 5 to 10 percent of savings in coal and power consumption.
 - 7. Reduction of budgeted production costs by a minimum of 0.5 to 7 percent.
 - 8. Completion of monthly and quarterly statements when due.
- 9. Breakdown of the production plan for 100 percent of piece workers and 70 percent of workers employed in maintenance and auxiliary services.

The requirements for the title also include reduction of absenteeism in the machine industry by 10 to 15 percent.

For establishments in the chemical and oil industries which compete for the title, 100-percent production quota fulfillment is required.

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